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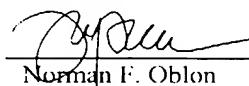
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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
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